

Flying Saucers, May They Not Be Spiritual?

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I agree with Dr. Biot and Dr. Walther Riedel in saying that these objects are not of this world, for they belong to the world of spirits. They belong to a world that few scientists are willing to explore. (I see that even Einstein is unwilling to venture a solution. What happened to all his wisdom?) "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the prudence of the prudent I will reject." (Isa. 29, 14). Yet this world is as real as the material one in which we exist. It is a world long explored by the science of Christian theology.

Theology, let us remember, is a science—the greatest of sciences. And the purpose of all sciences is the attainment of truth. Now, if men do not even consider this foremost branch of knowledge, they bar the door to the solution of this and many other mysteries—they bar the door to truth.

Christian theology teaches the existence of spirits—of angels, good and bad. It teaches the existence of hell as the place or state of punishment for the evil spirits. "Our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the Principalities and powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness on high." (Eph. VI, 12)

It is my belief that the flying saucers are manifestations of diabolical infestation. The devil is so powerful, the power of either morally or physically; but thanks to the Savior's victory over death and hell, he is chained and his power greatly broken. ("... the prince of this world has already been judged." John XVI, 11).

What good can God draw out of all this? Many debunkers may come to the realization of the existence of hell. Those who falsely believe that man has reached the summit of technical progress without God's help will have their ideas set right by these signs of diabolical power. God will be glorified by man's awareness that if the devil is so powerful, the power of God will be infinitely superior. And finally, if man does admit his littleness before God, God will lift him up with an extraordinary visitation of grace and love.

Flying Saucers

What should we say if on tossing up a stone we were to find that it remained suspended in mid-air? And suppose that the same thing happened on and off for about five years, on the average of once a day, and sometimes several times a day, what would be our reaction? We would undoubtedly seek for an explanation in some force that was counteracting the gravitational pull of the earth. But if, after careful scientific investigation on the part of the country's best scientists we found no natural explanation for the unusual behavior of the stones, it seems to me that we would be compelled, as rational beings, to do either of two things: modify the law of gravitation to fit the facts, or seek for a solution in the supernatural order; (that is, if we admit the existence of such an order.)

This seems to be the case with the flying saucers. Scientists tell us that these flying objects are defying not one law of nature, but apparently several of them, (law of inertia, centrifugal force, friction, gravitation, pressure, etc.) and they've been doing this for five years and probably longer. The scientists have already admitted their inability to explain the strange phenomena

by the known laws of nature and military officials have finally come to admit the same. No one dares challenge the validity of the broken laws involved, now does anyone even remotely suggest that the supernatural has a share in the matter. And so we're pinned fast on the horns of a sharp dilemma.

Given this premise, I am seeking a solution to the mystery of the flying saucers in the supernatural order. It was with this purpose in mind that I wrote a letter to Mr. H. B. Darran, Jr. and Robert Ginna, joint authors of an article on the saucers appearing in the April 7th issue of "Life" magazine and reprinted in the July issue of the Reader's Digest. The gist of that letter follows:

It is generally conceded that these "machines" could not possibly be constructed on earth. Indeed they don't even seem to be natural objects; for, to quote from the "Digest"—"No known natural or optical phenomenon makes the peculiar light in bright day, attributed to these objects; nor can any natural object hurtling at such speed execute a right-angle turn."

Statements such as these have led me to believe that the supernatural plays a major role in the mystery of the flying saucers. But before I enter this line of thought I should like to consider briefly the statement of Dr. Maurice A. Biot, leading aerodynamicist, who says of the saucers that "the least improbable explanation is that these things are artificial and controlled," concluding with the assertion, "My opinion is that they have an extra-terrestrial origin."

First of all, I must say of Dr. Biot that he is fair-minded enough to call his theory an "Improbable" one,—something that cannot be said of the official government agents who propose shifting and confusing statements that are an insult to the human intelligence. Doubtless the scientist has in mind some very irreconcilable facts to try to fit into his theory. For, we must observe that the closest "habitable" planet whence these saucers might proceed is twenty-five million miles distant. If these objects come from our neighbor planets, they must be controlled by a very extraordinary race, for we are confronted with a piece of machinery so precise that it directs a "plane" (as in the case of the long rocketlike ship witnessed by Capt. Clarence S. Chiles and Co-pilot John B. Whitted) at the distance of 25 million miles to within yards of an oncoming plane and swerves it off at the last moment to avoid a crack-up. This super-intelligence was guiding that "cigar" against several accepted laws of the physical order with the unwholesome purpose of harassing and frightening the pilots and passengers of the plane—a very imprudent act, to say the least, for so intelligent a race. This is indeed a pretty strange race that sends its projectiles millions of miles for observation only; a distrustful race that will not permit its missiles to alight on earth, nor leave any trace of their whereabouts; a supremely intelligent race, yet unintelligible in its purposes; a race wise and powerful enough to outwit us, baffle and confuse us, mystify and frighten us, yet too fearful to risk a landing.

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